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Editor-in-Chief

FOREWORD



"Nothing now is left but Majestic Memory."

Longfellow

In the production of this yearbook, it has been our chief aim to retain the memories of our school days that are now behind us.

The Annual Staff wish to thank the faculty, students, friends and business houses whose cooperation with us has made this annual possible.

THE STAFF

Mabel Ann Talley

Editor-in-Chief

DEDICATION

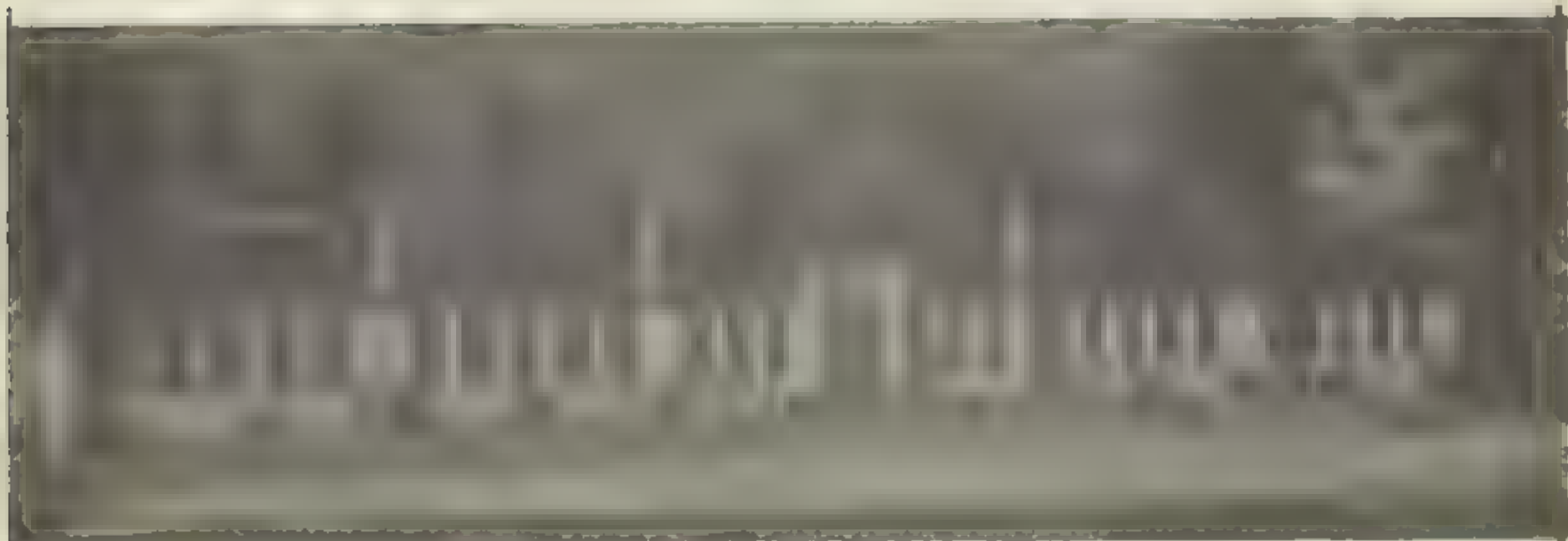


It is with pride that we dedicate this 1947 edition of the Yearbook to our Superintendent, Mr. J.E. Miller.

To him we owe much gratitude for his patience, counsel, and guidance through our high school days. His just attitude toward each boy and girl might be expressed by one of his favorite quotations:

"There is nothing good or bad but thinking makes it so." Shakespeare.

CAMPUS



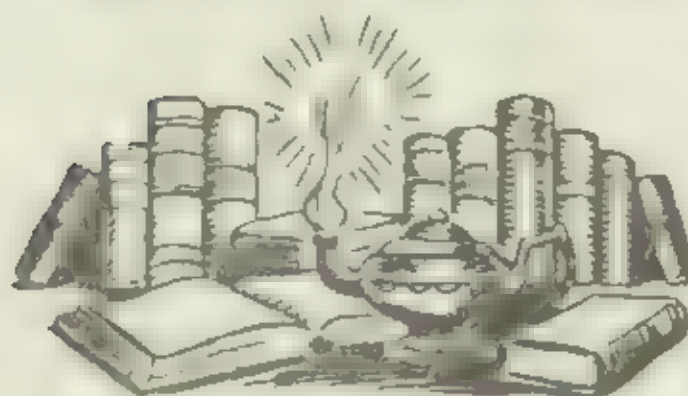


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A MESSAGE



TO THE STUDENT BODY
BURKEVILLE HIGH SCHOOL

My Dear Friends:

Another year has passed and the world is still torn with strife, filled with unbelievable chaos. The problems continue to increase until the minds of the strongest are puzzled and the souls of the greatest are tried. You must face such a world. You cannot evade or avoid it if you would.

It is not a hopeless world if we have young men and young women who will look up and out, who will dare to continue to fight when fighting seems hopeless, and who will stand for the best though they must stand alone. Victory will come out of chaos, the problems be solved, and a better world created. It is my prayer that you will take your place as men and women in this world and help to make it better.

Sincerely and prayerfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "C. G. Smith". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

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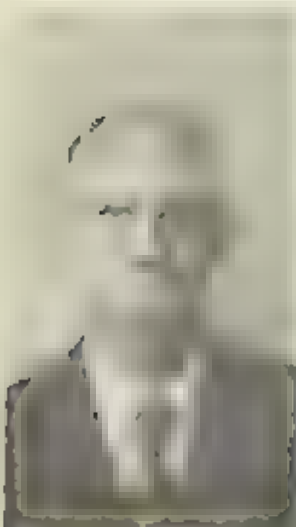
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Seniors

DON EVANS

Has a clean conscience.



MABEL ANN TALLEY

*Joe's little sister but
whose baby is she?*



GRACIE RUDD

Jolie Blanc (Pretty Blonde)

RAY M. MILLER

Slow but sure.



KATHRYN WATSON

*A cute giggle, especially
for the boys*

COY BRACK

*That smile would melt
an iceberg.*



EARL C. RUSSELL

*Girls are no worry to
him.*

SUE NEWBY

Beautiful brown eyes.

EDREN CLARK

Out for a good time.

JOE D. TALLEY

*Tall, dark & handsome.
Girls are no worry to
him.*

TOMMY LINDSEY

*Lots of fun behind
that studious look.*

HAYWOOD(Sonny) BORDEAUX

*The picture of
innocence.*

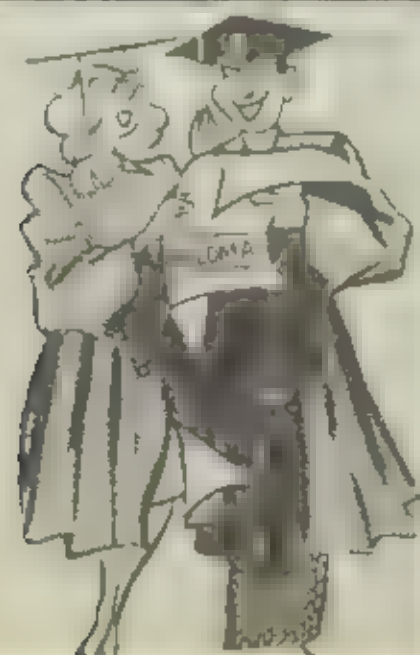


HODIE GUNTER

Our big little guy.

JAMES WARNER

Oh, those curls!



CHARLES G. STANLEY

Full of mischief.

Senior Play 47



Senior Play 47



OR! Gas...

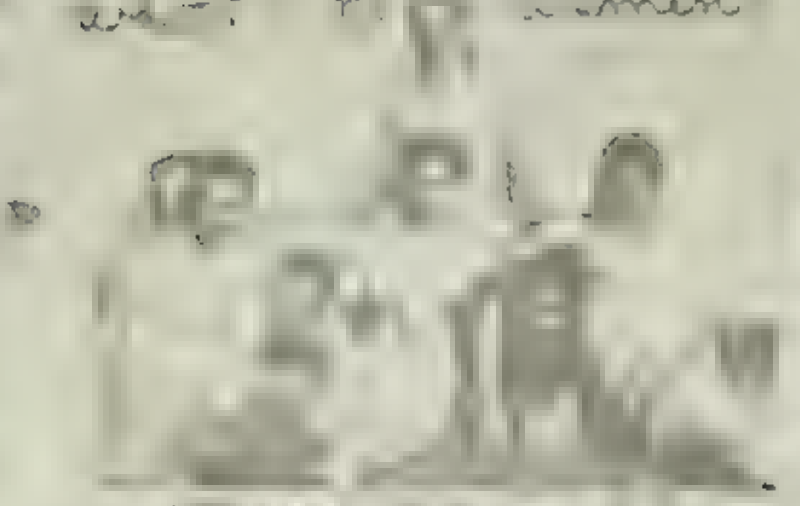
Senior Play 47



Senior Play 47



Senior Play 47



CLASS HISTORY

We, twenty-two uncertain boys and girls, booked passage in 1943 on the great airliner, "The Freshman," for a four-year trip with Graduation Island as our destination. During the first year this trip did not seem necessary, but when we changed planes and boarded "The Sophomore," we were eager to complete our trip. We glided smoothly along on this grand plane. We worked hard and soon gained passage to another airliner, "The Junior." This was an exciting plane. We became better acquainted with our fellow-mates and had parties, banquets, and other exciting entertainments, but this new excitement was soon over.

Monday morning, September 2, 1946, we met at the airport, Burkeville High School, for the last lap of our journey. When we settled down in the most magnificent plane of all, "The Senior," flashing its emblem, the gladiola, on colors of aqua and gold, only fifteen of our classmates were present to complete the trip. We were all proud of our progress and worked harder than ever before. The banquet on April 18, given the Seniors by the Juniors, was one of the outstanding events of the journey. Our visit on April 25, a dark stormy night, to "Spooky Tavern" was an event which will long be remembered as a mystery hard to solve. Now we have reached our destination, Graduation Island, whic_ we have worked for all these years. As our plane glided into the airport each passenger of "The Senior," for the first time, realized that the parting moment had arrived and that "Its not the square miles but the square people that make a nation great."

ACTIVITIES

DON EVANS - Choral Club; F.F.A. Club; Pep Squad; Coronation; Favorite; District Meet; Junior Play; Senior Play.

JAMES WARNER - Choral Club; F.F.A. Club; Pep Squad; Coronation; Favorite; District Meet; Senior Play.

COY BRACK - Basketball; Favorite; Choral Club; F.F.A. Club; Pep Squad, Coronation, Soft Ball, Track, Hi-Jumping, Senior Play.

CHARLES GRIFFIN STANLEY - Basketball; Choral Club; Pep Squad; F.F.A. Club; Junior Play; District Meet.

RAY MILTON MILLER - Basketball; F.F.A. Club; Choral Club; Pep Squad; Favorite; Coronation; Junior Play; Senior Play; Soft Ball.

EARL CARLETON RUSSELL - F.F.A. Club; Pep Squad; Choral Club; Coronation; Annual Staff; Senior Play; Soft Ball.

JOE DAN TALLEY - F.F.A. Club; Choral Club; Basketball; Junior Play; Senior Play; District Meet.

TOMMY LINDSEY - F.F.A. Club; Basketball; Junior Play; Senior Play.

MABEL ANN TALLEY - Choral Club; Basketball; Favorite; H. E. Club; Coronation; Pep Squad; Junior Play; Senior Play; Annual Staff.

GRACIE RUDD - Choral Club, Junior Play, Senior Play, Annual Staff, F.F.A. Co-Sweetheart; H. E. Club; Pep Squad.

EDREN CLARK - Coronation; H. E. Club; Basketball; Choral Club; Senior Play.

SUE NEWBY - Choral Club; Basketball; Favorite; Coronation; H.E. Club; Pep Squad; Junior Play; Senior Play; Annual Staff.

KATHRYN WATSON - Choral Club; Senior Play; Junior Play.



Seniors

CYRIL LINDSEY
 VELMA HOLMES
 MARY H. HOLMES
 ELIZABETH HENRY



NFTTIE B. FORT
 JAMES MEDLEY
 JAMES H. DAINWOOD
 HAROLD ERWIN



MARTIN L. MULLIN
 TISHIE SMITH
 BILLY J. MAHFOUZ



MARY A. McGRAW
 BURNETT LOW
 MARIE HARBISON



MATTOX ROGERS
 MYRTLE HALL
 JOE ABNEY

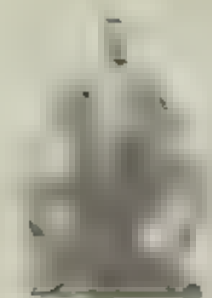


JUNIOR

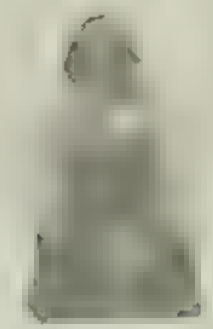
SNAPS



Just Pals!



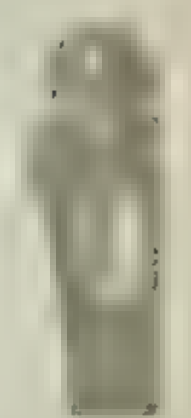
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Guess?

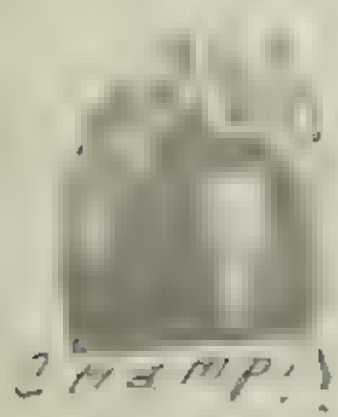


STRONG-MAN?



Bossy!

JUNIOR - 265"



2nd MP!



He doesn't
mean it!!



Any old-dood will
do for Mykt!!!



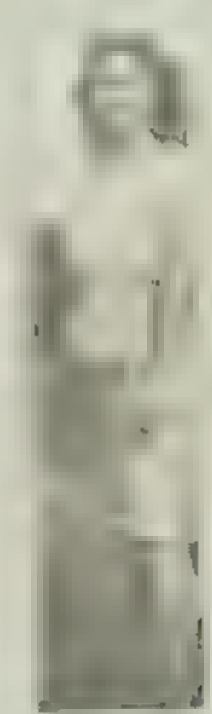
OUTSIDE ACTIVITY



Yow, Yow ... Boys



No Comment!!



"Feliciz"



MEALLY
Posing!



"Tiney"

STUCK-UP

Moon



Let's Go!!



INNOCENT Lambs!!

Teacher



What's Missing?



Sophomores

EDICE WOODS
MARY L. HALL
DORIS SMITH
CLAUDELL MILLER



GEORGE ABNEY
NELVA PHELPS
MELVIN WOODS
MELBA LANGLEY



ADA M. WATSON
CHARLES FORT
B. D. LANGLEY
CHARLES DICKERSON



JAMES ODOM
BILLIE JO GRIGGS
LELAN McGFE
RUTH MARSHALL



IMOGENE LINDSEY
J. W. SIMMONS
MARY E. GOFF
YVONNE STRICKLAND

Sophomores

S naps



PULL GIRLS



"OOPS" What's this



Heavy 'Baby'



That's Them - The Soph. Girls



LOOK!!!



Full of...



MORNING, NOON, AND NIGHT



Our Pick!!!



TEACHERS' PETS



SEDITION'S HEART



HEARTLESS REMEMBER?



SOPS



POSING



Isn't he wrong?

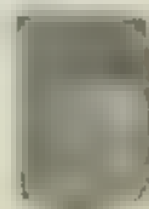


V. V. and Men



Bongo & Smile

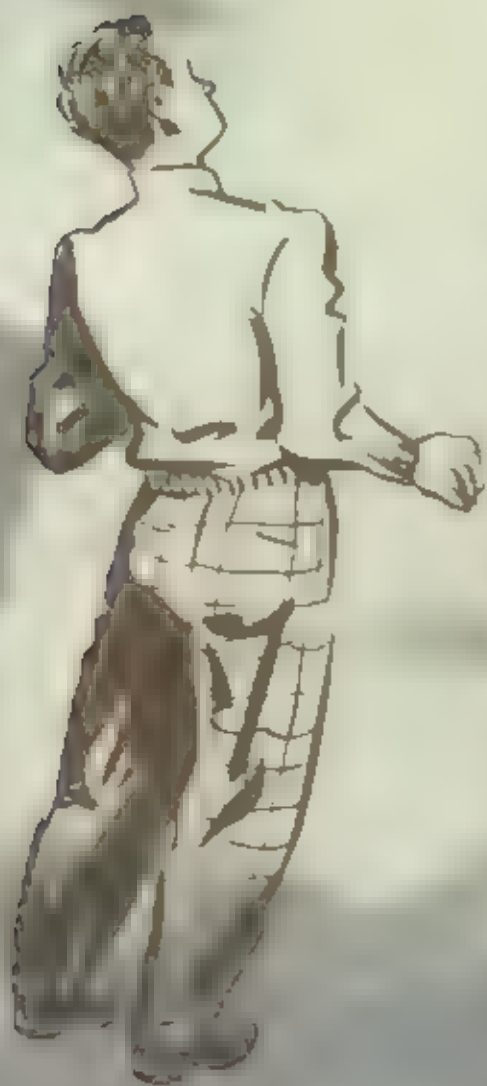
HERE COMES CHARLIE



Does H.M. for Coach?

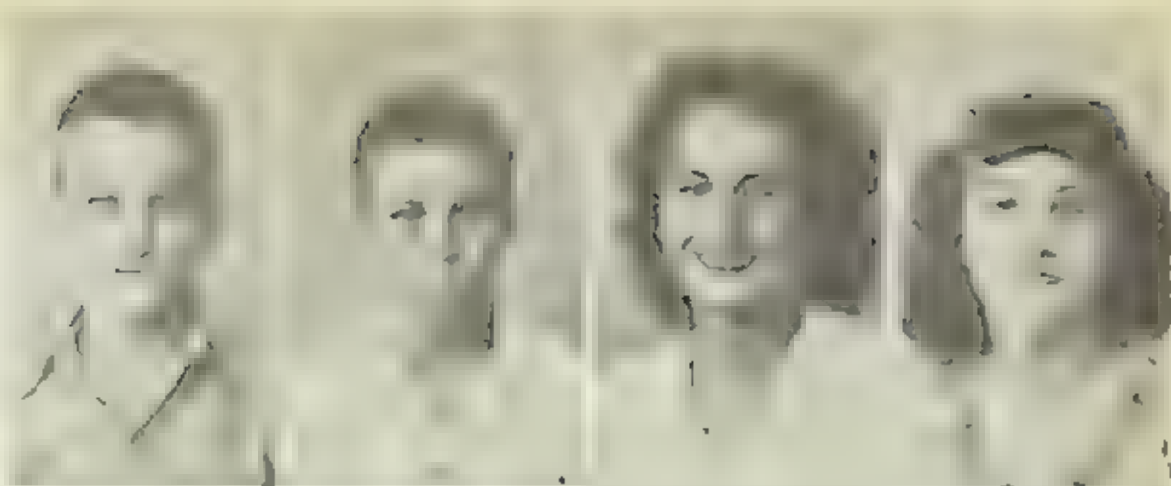


A CROW



Freshmen

BURTON WEEKS
 BUDDY HOLMES
 MARY H. SIMMONS
 LILLIE H. GUNTER



PATSY MULLIN
 HOMER M. CLARK
 CARLOS ROGERS
 ELRAY CONN



JAUNELL ERZEN
 WANDA FRANKLIN
 JAY D. SMITH
 DONALD FRANKLIN



JIMMY D. SMITH
 M. D. ERWIN
 JEANNETTE WIDNER
 MARIE McCRAW

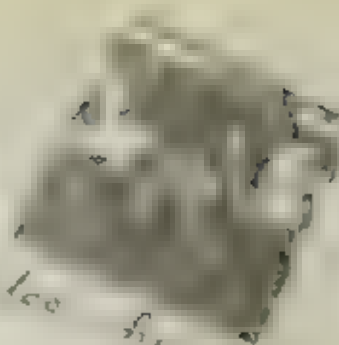


LILA HEROD
 RAY ROGERS
 CHARLES GUNTER
 LLOYD CONN

Freshman



Journal 11. 11. 11



Life 100 but not 100



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Can be 100 100



100 100 100



100 100 100



water and shell 100



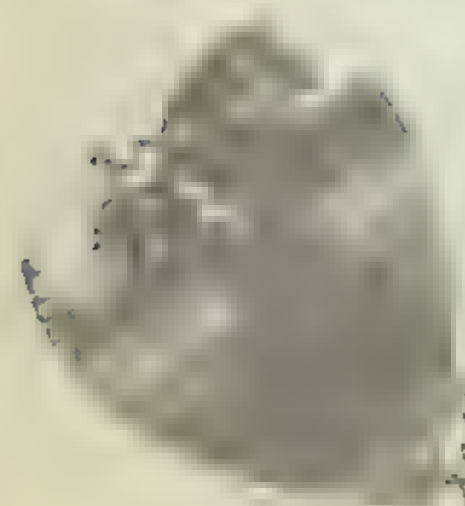
That's us!



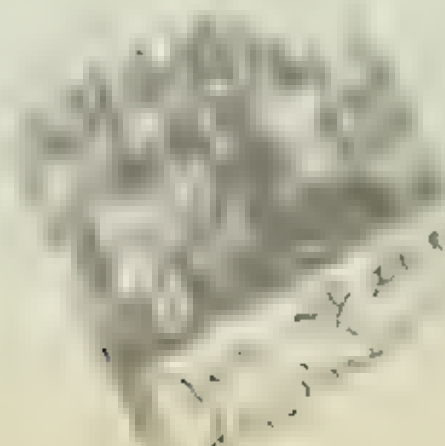
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Elementary

EIGHTH GRADE

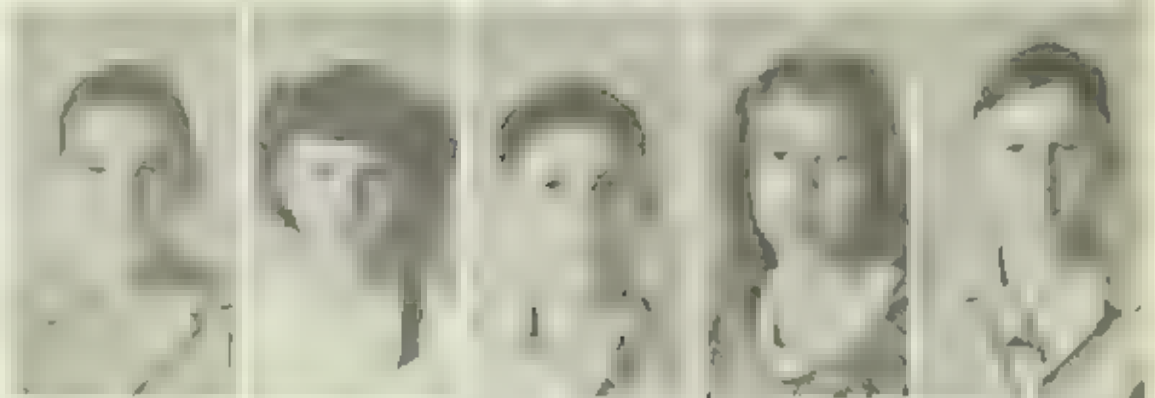
PATRICIA MAHFOUZ

GLEN MATTINGLY

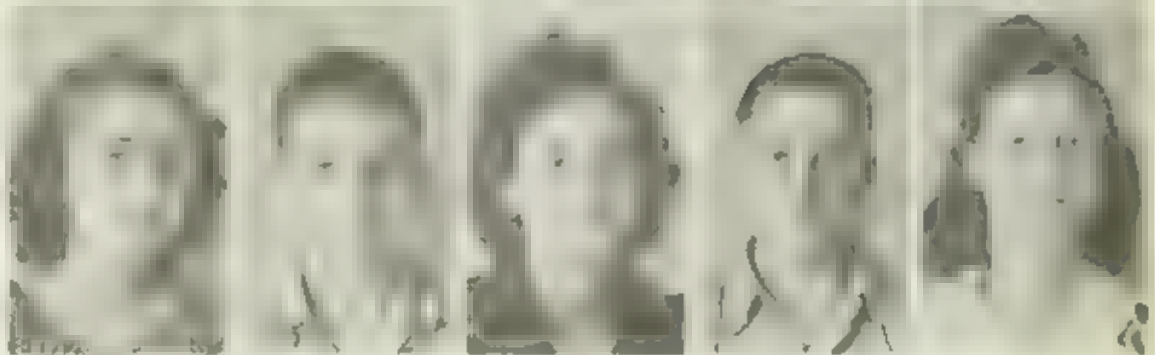
DENISE IRVIN



RAY TOMPKINS
MARJORIE JONES
KENNETH DICKERSON
PATRICIA GUNTER
W. M. GRIGGS



WANDA SMITH
WALTER HEROD
BETTY J. HALL
ROY SMITH
IMA J. MILLER



ELEANOR RUSSELL
J. R. GUNTER
PATRICIA MILLER
CHARLES WASSON
MARY A. CAPLES



BOBBIE J. MEDLEY
RUBY LANGLEY
ROBERT JACKSON
MARY SMITH
JUANITA LYNN



BETTY R. BROWN
L. C. BRACK
JOAN HOLMES
TROY MCGEE
WILLIE M. SHAW

SEVENTH AND SIXTH GRADES



SIXTH AND FIFTH GRADES



FOURTH AND THIRD GRADES



THIRD AND SECOND GRADES



FIRST GRADE





Favorites

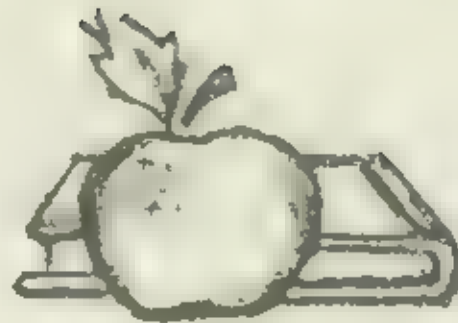
FAVORITES



MABEL ANN TALLEY



RAY MILTON MILLER



Six students were chosen by their classmates
as their High School Favorites for 1946-'47.
They Are:

MABEL ANN TALLEY-Senior *Best-All-Around Girl*
RAY MILTON MILLER-Senior *Best-All-Around Boy*
SUE NEWBY, Senior. . . . *Most Popular Girl*
JAMES WARNER, Senior. . . . *Most Popular Boy*
EDICE WOODS, Sophomore *Most Attractive Girl*
COY BRACK, Senior. . . . *Most Attractive Boy*



SUE NEWBY



JAMES WARNER

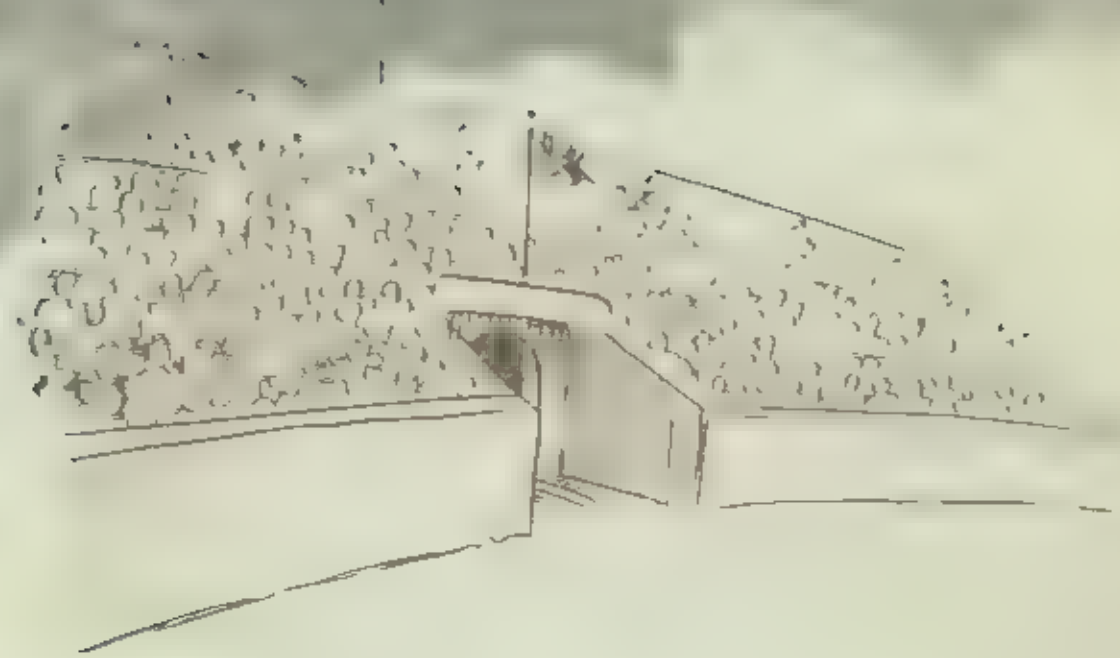
FAVORITES



EDICE WOODS

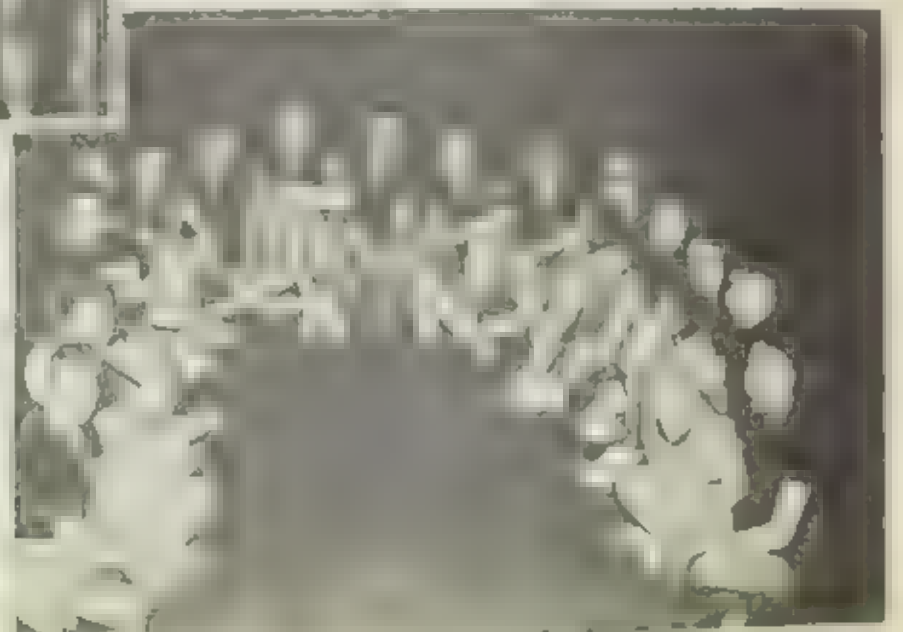


COY BRACK



Sports

BASKETBALL GIRLS



SUMMARY OF BASKETBALL

The Girls' Basketball Club had a successful year. They fought hard and were good sports all during the season. To the '47 team and future teams, good luck!

Forwards: Elizabeth Henry, Edice Woods, Billie Jo Griggs, Sue Newby, Captain; Doris Smith, Nelva Phelps, Claudell Miller, Mary Helen Holmes.

Guards: Mabel Ann Talley, Myrtle Hall, Mary Alice McGraw, Mary Elizabeth Goff, Ada Mae Watson, Homer Mae Clark, Mary Lou Hall, Mary Helen Simmons, Patsy Mullin, Louise Smith, Imogene Lindsey.

DISTRICT GAMES

BURKEVILLE vs.

Bronson at Bronson.	43- 9
Hornbeck at Hornbeck.	20-21
Pineland at Pineland.	39- 9
Brookland at Brookland.	34-21
Bleakwood at Bleakwood.	14-11
Buna at Buna.	25-39
Hornbeck at Burkeville.	28-21
Bronson at Burkeville	36-18
Pineland at Burkeville.	29- 9
Brookland at Burkeville	27-16
Bleakwood at Burkeville	26- 7
Buna at Burkeville.	22-34
Merryville at Burkeville.	22-19
Hemphill at Burkeville.	17-18
Merryville at Merryville.	21-18

TOURNAMENTS

BURKEVILLE TOURNAMENT

Burkeville vs.:	
Deweyville.	32-12
Mauriceville.	33-18
Buna.	17-27

DISTRICT TOURNAMENT AT WINNIE-STOWELL

Burkeville vs.:	
Winnie-Stowell.	43-22

BASKETBALL BOYS



SUMMARY OF BASKETBALL

The Boys' Basketball Club, who rank high for their good sportsmanship, fought hard to win all the games they played. Although they lost out in most of the tournaments, they came out on top in the Burkeville Tournament.

Forwards: Ray Milton Miller, Charles G. Stanley, James Henry Dainwood, Coy Brack, James Medley, Martin Low Mullin.

Guards: Charles E. Dickerson, Haywood(Sonny) Bordeaux, James Odom, J. W. Simmons, Jimmy Dale Smith.

Centers: James Warner-Captain, JOE DAN TALLEY.

DISTRICT GAMES

BURKEVILLE vs.

Bronson at Bronson. . . . .	.29-23
Pineland at Pineland. . . . .	.25-26
Brookland at Brookland. . . . .	.15-19
Bleakwood at Bleakwood. . . . .	.27-11
Buna at Buna. . . . .	.29-23
Hornbeck at Hornbeck. . . . .	.26-25
Bronson at Burkeville . . . . .	.44-14
Hornbeck at Burkeville. . . . .	.23-29
Pineland at Burkeville. . . . .	.21-22
Brookland at Burkeville.	21-27
Bleakwood at Burkeville . . . . .	.29-10
Buna at Burkeville.	9-18
Merryville at Burkeville. . . . .	.50- 9
Humphill at Burkeville. . . . .	.15- 5
Merryville at Merryville. . . . .	.52-24

TOURNAMENTS

KIRBYVILLE TOURNAMENT

Burkeville vs.:	Bronson . . . . .	.25-22
	Kirbyville. . . . .	.29- 9
	Silsbee . . . . .	.24-26

JASPER TOURNAMENT

Burkeville vs.:	Colmesneil. . . . .	.52- 9
	Buna. . . . .	.22-28

BURKEVILLE TOURNAMENT

Burkeville vs.:	Jasper. . . . .	.54-11
	Deweyville. . . . .	.28-25
	Newton. . . . .	.33-30

DISTRICT TOURNAMENT AT JASPER

Burkeville vs.:	Newton. . . . .	.26-23
	Bronson . . . . .	.29-44
	Buna. . . . .	.34-43



Organization

CHORAL CLUB



CHORAL CLUB

Girls

EDREN CLARK
HOMER MAE CLARK
JAUNELL ERZEN
WANDA FRANKLIN
MARY ELIZABETH GOFF
BILLIE JO GRIGGS
LILLIE HELEN GUNTER
MARY LOU HALL
MYRTLE HALL
ELIZABETH HENRY
MARY HELEN HOLMES
VELMA HOLMES
B. D. LANGLEY
MELBA LANGLEY
IMOGENE LINDSEY

MARIE McCRAW
MARY ALICE McGRAW
PATSY MULLIN
RUTH MARSHALL
SUE NEWBY
NELVA PHELPS
GRACIE RUDD
YVONNE STRICKLAND
DORIS SMITH
TISHIE LOUISE SMITH
MARY HELEN SIMMONS
MABEL ANN TALLEY
ADA MAE WATSON
KATHRYN WATSON
EDICE WOODS

Boys

SONNY BORDEAUX
COY BRACK
ELRAY CONN
JAMES HENRY DAINWOOD
CHARLES E. DICKERSON
M. D. ERWIN
DON EVANS
DONALD FRANKLIN

RAY MILTON MILLER
MARTIN LEW MULLIN
EARL C. RUSSELL
J. W. SIMMONS
CHARLES G. STANLEY
JIMMY DALE SMITH
JOE DAN TALLEY
JAMES WARNER

BURTON WEEKS

ACTIVITIES

Christmas Program....!Christmas Bells'
at the
Churches and School Assembly

Easter Program....!Easter Hymns'
at the
Churches and School Assembly

MUSIC WEEK OBSERVANCE

Best Loved Music Of All Times

A full evening of choral music given free
to the

patrons of the school on May 9, 1947

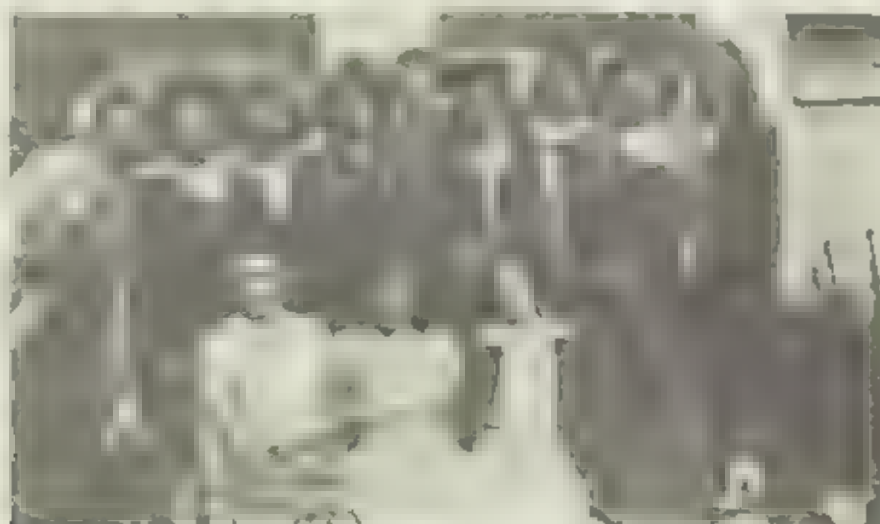


FRESHMAN
H. E. GIRLS

FUTURE HOMEMAKERS



NONIA L. JACKSON
Sponsor



SOPHOMORE H. E. GIRLS



HOMEMAKING DEPARTMENT

The first half of the term was devoted to the study of foods, and nutrition, meal planning and table service by both groups, Sophomores and Freshmen. Since space permits such a short summary of the year's work only the outstanding features will be recorded.

After the Freshmen had made a study of the Breakfast Unit they were granted permission to teach a nutrition class in Grammar School to grades from one to seven inclusive. They prepared lesson plans, posters, and other illustrative materials on "A Balanced Breakfast for a Child." The young teachers held the interest of the children to the extent that they were urged to repeat the project.

The Sophomore group made a study of luncheons and suppers and planned, prepared, and served a Thanksgiving luncheon on two occasions to the faculty and members of the Board of Education. They also entertained the local P.T.A. Chapter with a service of coffee and cakes which they had made as a class project.

The clothing classes were most successful. The Freshmen girls made an intense study of color combinations, weaving, materials, seams, button holes and finishings, adjusting and fitting patterns. This group completed two very attractive cotton frocks each and a set of stuffed "Cats" which were given to the school to provide an entertainment for the annual Halloween Carnival.

The Sophomore girls completed a pair of hand hemstitched and drawn worked pillow cases, two dresses, one cotton and one silk. Each girl made and dressed a large size character doll. Dolls were sold and funds will be used to add new equipment to the department. Each sophomore girl made a set of kitchen towels with fancy stitches for decoration.

The department has been equipped with butane gas, a large butane heater, and two butane Tapin ranges. The School Board certainly did a great favor by supplying this fine equipment for class work. A dinner set, service for eight, was also purchased for the department with funds obtained by the Homemaking Girls.

As a whole the work with the 1946-1947 Homemaking classes was a very pleasant task. The students were very cooperative and interested in their work. May we look back and say, "This has been our best."

Nonia L. Jackson
Homemaking Teacher



W. B. MILLER



CYRIL LINDSEY



ELIZABETH HENRY
Sweetheart



BILLY JOE MAHFOUZ
Chapter President



GRACIE RUDD
Co-Sweetheart





Calf or ?



Who's Poising?



See the Birdie



Masterman Estella



Aw! I Can hold him



Brother George



(Masterman) James



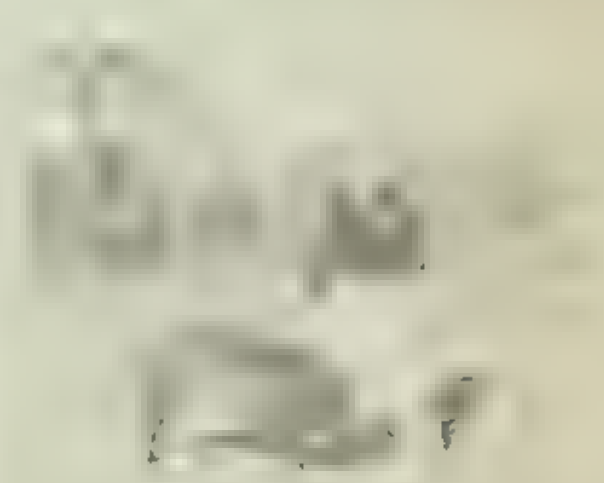
Steady, Billy



Harlan Feed'm Stuff



The Three



Foot Loose and Fancy Free

*Learning to do, doing to learn,
earning to live, living to serve*

WHY I AM A FUTURE FARMER

I am a future farmer because:

It gives me an opportunity to be enrolled in Vocational Agriculture classes, and to work for the advancement of my community, district, state, nation, world, my fellowman, and myself. I am a member of the only National Organization for the training of rural boys through our public school system. It gives me an opportunity to cooperate with 200,000 other boys for the betterment of rural America.

It provides additional opportunity to train myself as a farmer and as a farm citizen.

It provides additional opportunity for me to develop my talent in leadership ability.

It provides practical experience on my own level with my own problems and thus increases my chance to learn new ways and new things.

It encourages and assists me in habits of right living.

It teaches me to deal with myself and to work with others.

It teaches me to be thrifty, to save, and to have.

It broadens my acquaintance and allows me to exchange ideas with the other fellow interested in the things in which I am interested.

It raises my values to my community as a good citizen.

It regards and encourages my efforts and enlarges the scope of my opportunities.

Burkeville-Wiergate P.T.A.



MRS. MILDRED BERNAN
Vice-President



MRS. ROSE SMITH
President



MRS. OPAL SIMMONS
Secretary

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE



BURKEVILLE-WIERGATE P. T. A.

The Burkeville-Wiergate Parent Teachers Association is celebrating its tenth year of work and service. During these years, the welfare of children has been its chief aim. This year it has had as its goal to provide better reading materials for all grades. As children and adults use the new library books, may they think that to P.T.A. Members the following rhyme is the expressed desire for good reading:

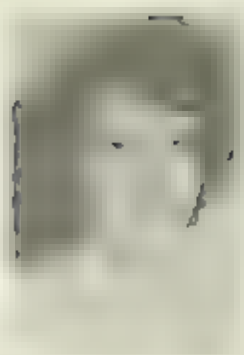
*"Books are windows where we see,
Into days that used to be,
Books are windows open wide,
To the beautiful world outside."*

This has been the greatest year in the history of the P.T.A. organization. More events have been sponsored: The Halloween Carnival, the basketball tournaments, the Negro play, and many outside radio programs.

To the local officers and members, may we dedicate this page to you for your wonderful service and cooperation.

President.....	Mrs. Rose Smith
Vice-President.....	Mrs. Mildred Burnham
Secretary.....	Mrs. Opal Simmons
Treasurer.....	Mrs. Vale Talley

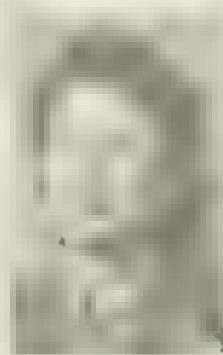
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Ass't. Editor



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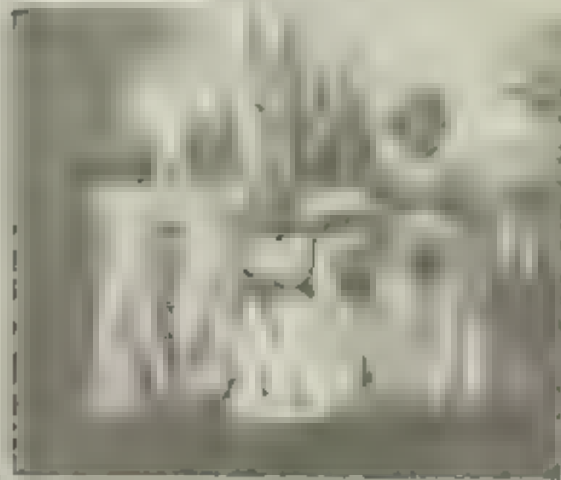


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Crown Bearers - Willaine Miller and Sam Rock, Jr.
Archbishop - William Bluford Miller
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Train Bearers - Faye Erzen and Betty Ann Weeks
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Princess - Eddie Frances Mattox and Prince - Jack Dale Miller
Princess - Marjorie Woods and Prince - Dwayne Dickerson
Princess - Veigh Dickerson and Prince - Newman Fort
Princess - Janice Erwin and Prince - Loy Kadle Low
Princess - Claire Nell Mattox and Prince - Danny Shaddock

When the above Royal Court Parade was finished, the elementary school presented "Seasons of Happiness." This cast numbered sixty-five boys and girls from all elementary grades. Joe Gene Freeman was King Winter. He lost his throne to Margaret Ann Gasway who was Queen Spring. Her crowning was also a very colorful event as all spring flowers attended.

September 2, 1946



Kids Will Be Kids



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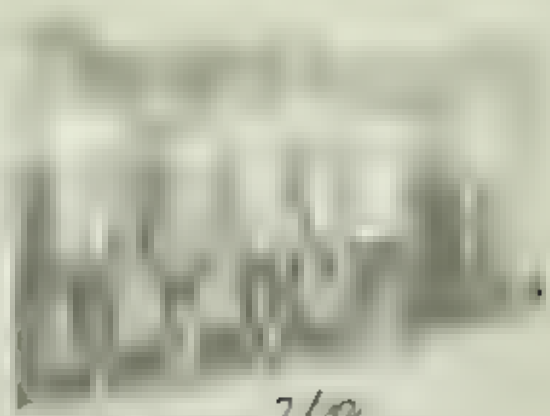
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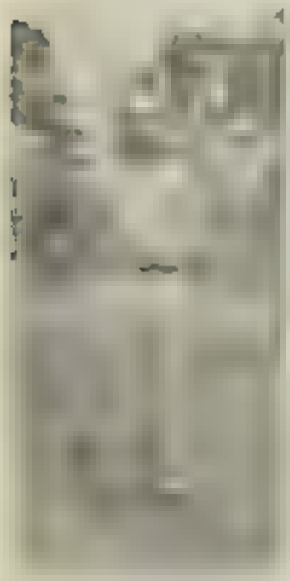
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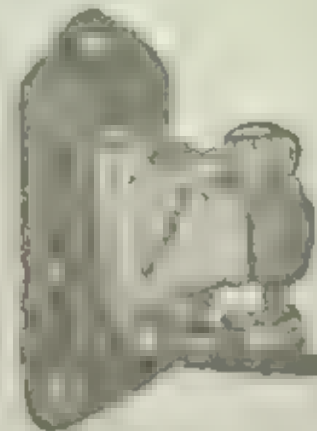
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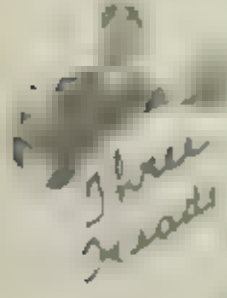
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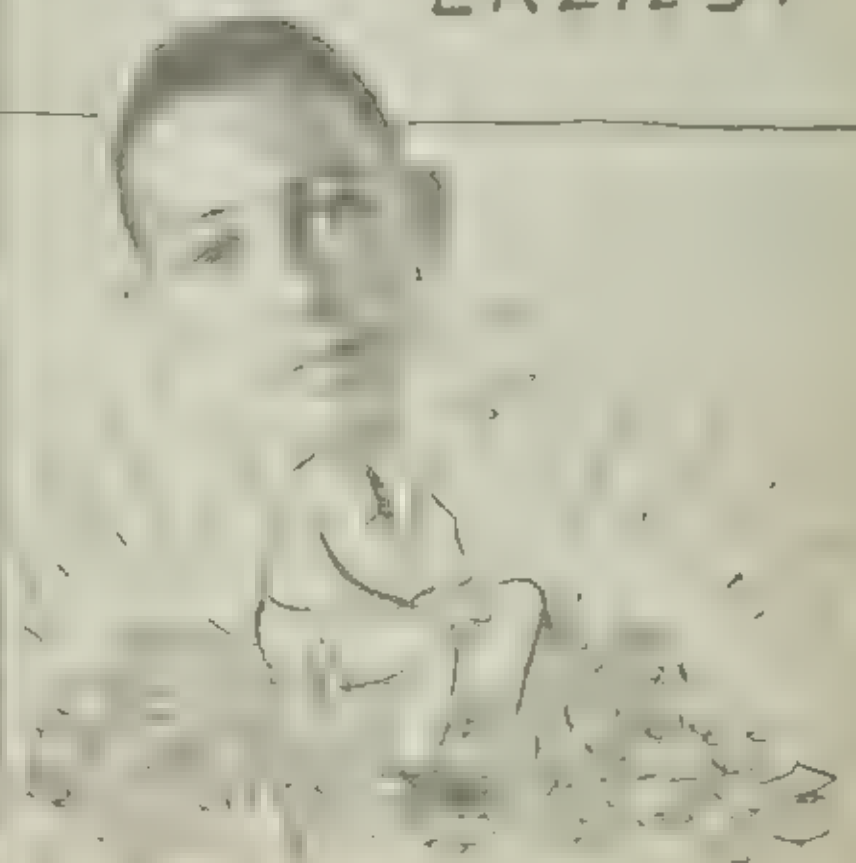
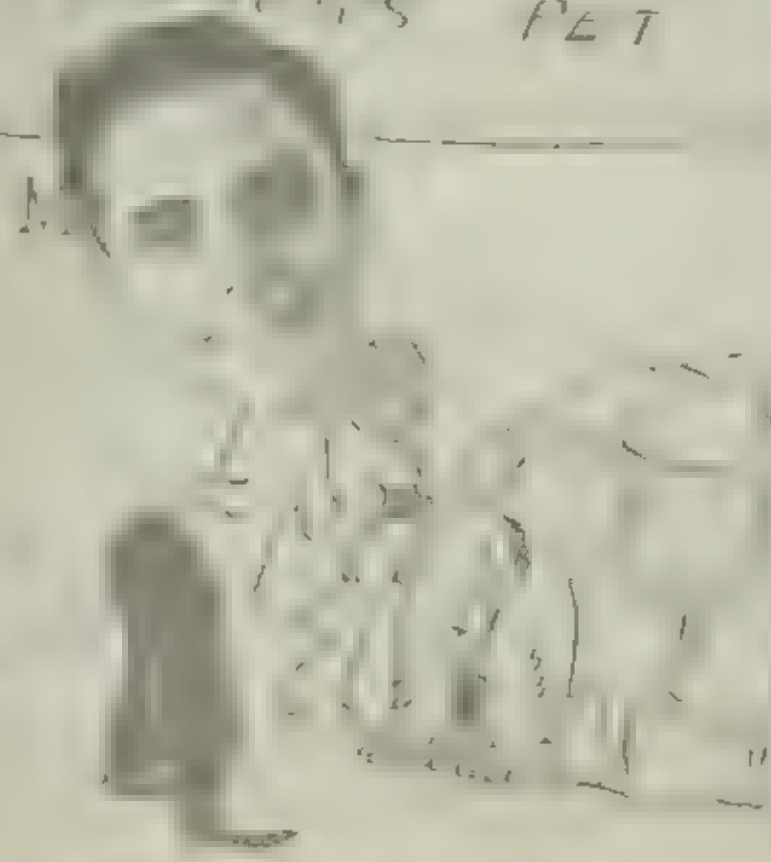
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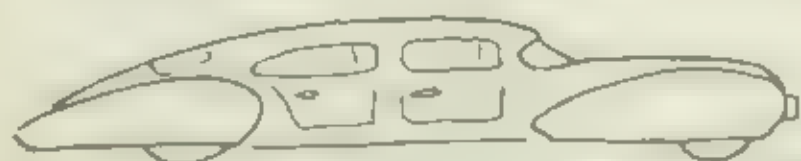
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